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YOUTH TASK FORCE L.A.

COMMUNITY SCAVENGER HUNT National Information Center
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DIRECTIONS:

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| 1. | Explain that the purpose of this "hunt" is to bring together information about the community that will be useful as students explore issues and develop projects. |
| 2. | Give one set of questions to each student or pair of students (there are three questions per area, 24 areas). Explain that they should answer one question each week. |
| 3. | Brainstorm with students about where they might go to answer their questions (phone books, information, newspaper). |
| 4. | At the end of the three weeks, have each student or pair of students report back to the class. Each report should include the answers to the questions, and a description of how the student answered the question. |
| 5. | Ask for one or two student volunteers to collect the data and write it down on the answer sheets provided. |
| 6. | Ask students to discuss other ways of keeping the information (3 X 5 cards, poster board, etc.). |



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AREA-1

LOCAL - 1:

■ **Who is your mayor?**

■ **What are her/his three top issues?**

1.

2.

3.

■ **Who can you call for classroom speakers?**

■ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-2

LOCAL - 2:

- **Who represents you on the County Board of Supervisors?**

- **What are her/his top three issues?**

1.

2.

3.

- **Who can you call for classroom speakers?**

- **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-3

STATE - 1:

★ Who is the governor of California?

★ What is her/his political party?

★ What are her/his three top issues?

1.

2.

3.

★ How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-4

STATE - 2:

★ Who is your state senator?

★ Which district does she/he represent?

★ What are her/his three top issues?

1.

2.

3.

★ How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-5

STATE - 3:

★ **Who is your state assembly person?**

★ **Which district does she/he represent?**

★ **What are her/his three top issues?**

1.

2.

3.

★ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-6

STATE - 4:

★ **Who is the California Attorney General?**

★ **What does the Attorney General do?**

★ **Who can you call for a speaker?**

★ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-7

STATE - 5:

★ **Who is the Insurance Commissioner?**

★ **What does she/he do?**

★ **Who can you call for a speaker?**

★ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**

AREA-8

FEDERAL - 1:

▷ **Who represents you in Congress?**

▷ **Which district does she/he represent?**

▷ **Who can you call for a speaker?**

▶ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-9

FEDERAL - 2:

▷ **Who are your United States Senators?**

▷ **What are their party affiliations?**

▷ **How many senators are there in the state?**

▶ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-10

FEDERAL - 3:

▷ **Who is on the Supreme Court?**

▷ **How long is the term of a Supreme Court Justice?**

▷ **How many women and minorities sit on the court?**

▷ **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-11

(1)

Find a local newspaper (name, address, phone number).

Find the name of a reporter who writes on education or youth.

Who can you call about a press release?

How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-12

(2)

Find the local library (name, address, phone number).

Is the library part of the city or county library system?

What are the hours the library is open?

How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-13

(3)

✎ Find the local police station (name, address, phone number).

✎ Who can you call for speakers?

✎ What areas does the station serve?

✎ How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-14

(4)

☛ Find the local chamber of commerce (address, phone number).

☛ Get a list of participating businesses

☛ What is the goal of the chamber?

☛ How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-15

(5)

☞ Find the local park near your school (addresses, phone number).

☞ What services are available at the park (tutoring, sports programs, etc.)?

☞ Find a contact at Parks and Recreation in the city.

☞ How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-16

(6)

Find two local elementary schools near your school (addresses, phone numbers).

1.

2.

What are the names of the principals?

1.

2.

According to the principals, what are the three main issues at the schools?

1.

1.

2.

2.

3.

3.

How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-17

(7)

Find two local middle schools near your school (addresses, phone numbers).

1.

2.

What are the names of the principals?

1.

2.

According to the principals, what are three main issues at the schools?

1.

1.

2.

2.

3.

3.

How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-18

(1)

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- **Find an agency / organization that deals with senior citizens.**

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- **Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.**

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- **Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.**

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- **How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)**



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AREA-19

(2)

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- Find an agency / organization that deals with children.

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- Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.

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- Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.

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- How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-20

(3)

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- Find an agency / organization that deals with drugs.

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- Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.

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- Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.

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- How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-21

(4)

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- Find an agency / organization that deals with gangs.

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- Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.

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- Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.

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- How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-22

(5)

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- Find an agency / organization that deals with the environment.

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- Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.

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- Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.

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- How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-23

(6)

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- Find an agency / organization that deals with race relations.

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- Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.

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- Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.

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- How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)



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AREA-24

(7)

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- Find an agency / organization that deals with jobs.

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- Write down the address, phone number and a contact person.

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- Find out the main goal of the organization. Remember to ask for materials on the organization.

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- How did you find your answers? Explain your method / procedure below: (Use the back of this sheet if needed.)